

REMARKS

This document is in response to the Advisory Action of February 27, 2007, the Advisory Action of January 26, 2007 and Final Office Action of November 8, 2006, wherein the Examiner:

(i) rejected claims 2-9, 11, and 12 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter, and

(ii) indicated that claims 13, 14, 16, 17, 19 and 20 are allowed.

Applicants have thoroughly reviewed the Advisory Actions and the Final Office Action including the Examiner's remarks and the references cited therein. Applicants wish to extend their thanks to the Examiner for allowing claims 13, 14, 16, 17, 19 and 20. The following remarks are fully responsive to the Final Office Action and are believed to render all claims at issue patentably distinguishable over the cited references.

Applicants reiterate that the claims as presented in their January 8 and February 8, 2007 Responses are allowable over the prior art. Nonetheless, Applicants have canceled all rejected claims in order to obtain a Notice of Allowance. Therefore, Applicants submit that this case is now in condition for allowance and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this Application.

Entry of Amendment After Final

It is respectfully submitted that the present amendment should be entered in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.116 on the grounds that: (1) the claims as now presented are in better form for appeal purposes, if necessary; (2) no new issues have been raised; (3) and, moreover, the present amendment is believed to place the application in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

In light of the above remarks, it is respectfully submitted that Applicants have responded in a fully satisfactory manner to all matters at issue in this Application, and that this Application is now in condition for allowance. In this regard, Applicants have made every effort to comply with the

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requirements set forth in the Final Office Action as well as the statutory requirements. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner allow the pending claims and pass the Application to issue. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 433-7570.

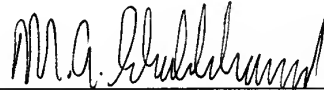
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Prompt and favorable consideration of this response is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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